

List of: MIDWAY BLACKSMITHS

Names:	Pedigree	Pict. of Shop	HBUM	FGS	Pict.	Hist.
Henry Leroy Alexander & Susan Davis	✓		700	✓✓✓	✓✓	✓
Henry T. Coleman	✓		726-			
Henry Threlkeld Coleman			722	✓	✓✓	✓
George Dabling	✓		544	✓	✓✓	✓
Atha Carter Davis = son			647	✓		
John Meeks Davis = father	✓		932			✓
William (Billy Plumb) Gibson (Last Blacksmith in Midway)	✓		648	✓✓		✓
William "E" Gibson	✓		573			
Samuel ("Sam") Hair & Hannah Mulholland	✓		573	✓	✓✓	✓
Robert Krebs / call Ron Fillmore 2 wives - need Anne Maria Cox	✓		573	✓0		
John Lowe	✓		683			✓
Joseph Sinius Nielson & wives (1863-1927)	✓		573	691 ✓000		✓
John Potter	✓		573			✓
Robert Bell Ross Jr	✓	✓	691	✓	✓✓	✓
Jerry R. Springer	✓		785			
Ernest White	✓		792	✓	✓✓	✓
John Wright	✓		573			

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Shoes for horses and oxen, wagon and buggy tires, sharpened and tempered, plow shares and drills and picks were just a few of the essentials needed by early settlers of Midway. For these necessities they looked to the blacksmiths of the community.

Fires of the huge forges would often glow late into the night and the anvils would ring as the blacksmiths worked to keep the farmers ready for another day's work. Services were usually paid for in produce, exchanged labor or whatever means of exchange was most readily available.

Those who were most prominent in the trade in Midway included Henry Alexander, Joseph Neilsen, John Wright, Henry T. Coleman, Robert Krebs, Samuel (Sam) Hair, Robert Ross, Ernest White, J. R. Springer and William Gibson. Mr. Gibson operated the last blacksmith shop in the community.

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